

STRAFFORD PLANNING COMMISSION
December 19, 2016

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Meeting called to order at 7:01PM.

Present: Steve Campbell, Chair; Bob Bushway; John Echeverria; Donald Graham; Chrissy Jamieson; Mike Scanlan; Martha Walke; Steve Willbanks.

1. Steve C. reported on the 2 Rivers meeting he attended where 2 town plans were passed with comments pertaining to their energy chapters and that these would need to be changed before their next Town Plan is due. Our energy plan will not be an obstacle to getting our plan passed.

2. John Echeverria brought copies of his revision of the energy draft. The following changes were made:

- A. p. 4 - remove all 2050 references
- B. p. 5 - remove last sentence of paragraph 4
- C. p. 6 - under, lines 1-2, added a sentence
 - p. 6 - under Biomass, parag. 4, last sentence changed to read, "Additionally, a biomass energy generation facility in Strafford shall not adversely impact the rural character of the community or the local road system."
 - p. 7 - under Permitting Considerations, first sentence to read, "Energy generation in Vermont is subject to a number of permitting requirements including municipal and state regulations."
- D. p7 - Section 248, remove crossed out phrase in first paragraph
 - p. 7-8, section 1, all removed, new sentence: "The Strafford Planning Commission and the Strafford Energy Committee expect to identify preferred locations for renewable energy production during the next several years."
 - Section 2, keep
 - Section 3, remove sentence beginning "Primary agricultural soils..."
 - Section 4, remove end of sentence after "...habitat areas."
 - Section 5, line 4, change "...residing in area, wildlife migratory routes,..."
 - Section 6, keep
- E. p. 10 - Energy & Land Use Policy - remove last sentence, paragraph 2
- F. p. 12 - Goals, remove #6
 - p. 12 - Policies - #1 to read: "Major public facilities, such as schools, public recreation areas, and municipal buildings shall be situated within or in close proximity to the villages of Strafford."
 - #2 - ...equipment shall...
 - #6 - delete
 - #7 - delete last sentence
- G. p. 14 - Implementation Tools, delete #6

3. Review the drafts of 2 chapters from 2 Rivers with particular attention to the use of the words 'shall' and 'must'. While these are words the regional commission feel need to be in the Town Plan, is this what Strafford needs/wants?

Meeting adjourned at 8:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha M. Walke, Secretary